**C:\Documents and Settings\Owner\Local Settings\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\8XA3CPEJ\MC900052960[1].wmfShining or Stinking Web Health Resources-You be the Judge!**

As you search for health information on the web, remember that anyone can post information online. You need to be sure that you are getting the best information. Use this worksheet to help you evaluate the websites you find. Are they shining examples of valid online information or are they stinking examples of information that should be rejected?

Name of Website: **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Website URL: **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| Authority/Author   * Who created this information? (Person/Organization)   + Personal: Is the author qualified to write about this topic?   + Organization: Is this a reputable organization? How is the organization related to the topic? * What contact information does the website include? * What is the domain name of the site? (.com, .edu., .org,.gov) and what does this domain name imply. |  |  |
| Timeliness   * Is the website/information up-to-date? * Is the publication or copyright date indicated? * Are the links current and working? |  |  |
| Objectivity/Purpose   * What is the purpose of this site?   + Inform you, persuade you, entertain you, or sell you something (Is there a shopping cart?) * Is there a mission statement? * Is it full of fact or opinion? * Does it reflect bias? How? * Are advertisements included? Are they clearly marked? Do they blend in with the information? |  |  |
| Relevance/Coverage   * Does this website provide adequate information on my topic? |  |  |

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